







The H.E.A.L. Speaker Series

## WHY THE FARM BILL MATTERS

Monday October 24, 2011 4pm - 7pm The Friends Center, 1501 Cherry St, Phila, PA

This event is free, but space is limited. Please RSVP at: www.tinyurl.com/FarmBill

*Guest presenters and panelists:* 

#### **DAN IMHOFF**

author of Food Fight: A Citizen's Guide to the Farm Bill

### LADONNA REDMOND

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#### REBECCA KLEIN

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# YOUTH FOOD BILL OF RIGHTS DEVELOPERS

Philadelphia youth organizations

Moderated by: Professor Mary Summers, University of Pennsylvania



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#### **SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES**

Dan Imhoff is a researcher, author, and independent publisher who has concentrated for nearly 20 years on issues related to farming, the environment, and design. He is the author of numerous articles, essays, and books including Food Fight: The Citizen's Guide to a Food and Farm Bill. Dan is a highly sought-after public speaker who lectures and conducts workshops on a variety of topics, from food and farming to environmental design and conservation. He has appeared on hundreds of national and regional radio and television programs, testified before Congress and spoken at numerous conferences, corporate and government offices, and college campuses.

Rebecca Klein is the Public Health & Agriculture Policy Project Director for the Johns Hopkins Center for a Livable Future (CLF). Her passion for food and nutrition developed in undergrad during a nutritional anthropology class, which became her major at Hampshire College. She holds an MS in Food Policy and Applied Nutrition from The Friedman School at Tufts University. Her food systems-related work has ranged from research on child nutrition in rural Mexico, to running a learning garden at a food bank in Oregon, to initiating a GIS map of Baltimore's regional food system. Her current work focuses on bringing a health perspective to federal food and agriculture policy. She also coordinates the American Public Health Association's (APHA) Food and Environment Working Group.

LaDonna Redmond is the Senior Program Associate at the Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy. LaDonna is a long-time community activist who has successfully worked to get Chicago Public Schools to evaluate junk food, launched urban agriculture projects, started a community grocery store and worked on federal farm policy to expand access to healthy food in low-income communities. Redmond is a frequently invited speaker and occasional radio host. In 2009, Redmond was one of 25 citizen and business leaders named a Responsibility Pioneer by Time Magazine. LaDonna was also a 2003-2005 IATP Food and Society Fellow. In 2007, she was awarded a Green For All Fellowship. LaDonna attended Antioch College in Yellow Springs, Ohio.

The **Youth Food Bill of Rights** was developed during the youth powered and food justice focused Rooted in Community (RIC) National Conference in Philadelphia in July 2011. Over one hundred youth leaders from around the nation, and thirty different food justice-focused organizations convened at the National Consistution Center to declare The Youth Food Bill of Rights, a statement of what youth demand of their food system. Youth from Philadelphia based organizations will present on their experience and perspective.

Mary Summers teaches academically based community service seminars and directs an associated speakers' series for the Fox Leadership Program. She is the principal investigator for a research grant from the USDA to the Greater Philadelphia Coalition Against Hunger investigating the use of students and community volunteers in developing a food stamp enrollment campaign. She also seeks to develop effective models for the use of service learning students in inner city schools. Areas of Interest include: Politics of food, agriculture, the environment, health, labor, race, education, social welfare and service learning. Courses include: Politics of Food and Agriculture; Politics of Poverty and Development in the United States